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FM AMCONSUL LUBUMBASHI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1915

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (MRN TO READ 164 VICE 158)

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TAGS: ELTN, EMIN, CG

SUBJECT: RHODESIAN BRIDGE REPORTED REOPENED

REF: LUBUMBASHI 158

1. GECAMINES DELEGATE GENERAL UMBA KYAMITALA INFORMED
CONSULATE THAT RHODESIAN BRIDGE BLOWN BY REBELS PREVIOUS
WEEK HAD BEEN REPAIRED AND OPENED FOR TRAFFIC ON OCTOBER 14.

2. GECAMINES LOST 8 WAGONLOADS OF COPPER EXPORTS IN
BLISTER AND CATHODE FROM WHEN BRIDGE BLOWN, BUT HAS JUST
RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM AGENT IN RHODESIA THAT ALL COPPER
WAS RECOVERED.

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3. GECAMINES IMPORTS OF COKE FROM RHODESIA AFFECTED BY
ABSENCE OF REGULAR TRAFFIC FROM RHODESIA. WITH ONLY 2
TO 4 DAYS SUPPLY OF COKE ON HAND AND PERHAPS 5 DAYS SUPPLY IN
PIPELINE ACROSS ZAMBIA, COKE SHORTAGE IS A CERTAINTY.
GECAMINES IS NOW RUNNING FURNACE IN LUBUMBASHI AT HALF
CAPACITY. SIMILAR PROBLEM ALSO EXISTS WITH OTHER COAL NEEDS.
AFTER TRYING TO RUN SHITURU REFINERY AT LIKASI USING ONLY
LOCAL COAL FROM LUENA, GECAMINES HAD RECENTLY SWITCHED BACK
TO HIGHER GRADE SOURCES FROM RHODESIA AND ZAMBIA WHICH WERE
MIXED WITH LOCAL COAL. ABSENCE OF SHIPMENTS FOR ONE WEEK
HAS FORCED GECAMINES TO CLOSE ONE OF ITS TWO FURNACES
AT SHITURU. OPENING OF BRIDGE LINK EXPECTED TO RETURN
SITUATION TO NORMAL IN ABOUT ONE WEEK.
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